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Submitted concomitantly herewith is a paper copy of the final version of the SEQUENCE LISTING in grandparent application Serial No. 08/500,635, which was filed on December 22, 1997.

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It is therefore respectfully submitted that a duplicate computer readable form of the SEQUENCE LISTING is not needed to be filed in this application. It is also submitted that the present application complies with all the requirements of 37 CFR 1.821 et seq.

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